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SUBJ: DECEMBER 16-18 REVIEW OF UNEP INDUSTRY PROGRAM

REF: STATE 298503

1. DR. P. M. BIRD, ENVIRONMENT CANADA, TOLD ECON
COUNSELOR DEC 10 THAT GOC "BASICALLY SHARES USG CONCERNS"
ABOUT UNEP INDUSTRY SEMINAR PROGRA. GOC IS QUITE
DISTURBED AT WAY SEMINAR SERIES HAS BEEN DEVELOPING;
FOCUS IS SO BROAD AND SO MANY PARTICIPANTS ARE INVOLVED
THAT POSSIBILITY OF USEFUL DIALOGUE IS RAPIDLY
DISAPPEARING. NEVERTHELESS, GOC SEES POTENTIAL VALUE
IN
CONTINUING SEMINARS IF THEY CAN BE RESTRUCTURED AND
MORE NARROWLY FOCUSED. GOC WOULD FAVOR SEMINARS
FOCUSING ONLY ON ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT OF PRODUCTION
PROCESS AND LEAVING ASIDE QUESTIONS RELATING, FOR EXAMPLE,
TO WORK ENVIRONMENT OR END-USE OF PRODUCT. OBJECT
WOULD BE TO PROMOTE BETTER UNDERSTANDING, PARTICULARLY
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AMONG LDC'S, OF ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT AND HOW TO COPE

WITH IT. A POSSIBLE USEFUL APPROACH, IN GOC VIEW,
WOULD BE TO ESTABLISH A MECHANISM FOR MONITORING ON A
CONTINUING BASIS HOW SPECIFIED INDUSTRIES THROUGHOUT THE
WORLD ARE DEALING WITH ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT OF THEIR
PRODUCTION PROCESSES.

2. BIRD EXPECTS TO LEAVE OTTAWA FOR PARIS ON DECEMBER 11
PROVIDED HE IS NOT FORCED TO CANCEL BECAUSE OF BAD
COLD FROM WHICH HE IS SUFFERING. HE ASKED ECON
COUNSELOR TO PASS WORD TO GRANT THAT HE LOOKED FORWARD
TO WORKING CLOSELY WITH HIM IN PARIS.
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